

SPRINGFEST 2010 Come to Vienna!

3/24 Wine, Women & Song – an exciting musical time machine takes us back to “Old Vienna”: Johann Strauss II, spiced with Schoenberg und Mahler — this calls for another Sacher Torte please!

3/25 Classics for Kids, “Great Composers and the Viennese Waltz” – a great morning start for Nevada County school children (not open to general public). A lively sampling of well known movements from the greats — Haydn, Beethoven, Schubert, Mozart and J. Strauss.

3/26 Waltzes & Love Songs – a great mix: a Brahms waltz and lieder from the masters of the art song, Franz Schubert and Hugo Wolff, featuring Richard Zeller, baritone, the MIM Festival Chorale and Ryan Murray conductor.

3/27 Romantic String Music – a major triple play! An operatic overture to Richard Strauss’s “Capriccio”, an impressionistic “mind painting” by Arnold Schoenberg and Beethoven’s last work, the monumental Grosse Fugue.

3/28 Wind Serenade – lively and mellow are the operative words for Mozart’s Serenade and Richard Strauss’s double octet for winds. No dozing here!

SUMMERFEST 2010 Tell Me a Story

6/5 Old American Songs – no, not Oh! Susanna vintage but a fresh look at Americana through the eyes of Aaron Copland. And let’s be introduced to some old Hungarian songs by Zoltan Kodaly. Opening night featuring Jeffrey Biegel, composer-pianist and the MIM Festival Chorale.

6/9 A Soldiers Tale – a Russian soldier and the devil duke it out over a violin and a beautiful woman — does anyone win? The evening finale to Martinu’s jazz ballet for chamber ensemble performed by the Ensemble Laboratorium from Switzerland.

6/10 Ensemble Laboratorium / Young Composers – new music that discovers unique harmonies — it also discovers young talented composers in Nevada County.



Young Musicians

6/11 OUTDOOR POPS with Doc Severinsen and his Mariachi Band – the long time band leader of the Johnny Carson show and currently living in Mexico, Doc and his Mariachis take us on a trip south of the border.

6/18 OUTDOOR POPS with Riders in the Sky at Western Gateway Park – saddle ‘em up and head to Penn Valley for a sampling of country western music.

6/19 Dinner Divertimento – an unbeatable combination of Boccherini, Beethoven and Mozart, superb food and fine wine at the Miner’s Foundry.

6/22 Wet Ink – Choral and percussion extravaganza with over 200 voices. The Nevada County Composers Cooperative presents new music for the MIM Festival Chorale, Sierra Master Chorale, NUHS Choir and the CSUS Ensemble.

6/24 Kronos Quartet “Happy Birthday Terry Riley” – the internationally famous quartet honors minimalist composer Terry Riley for a historic concert. A must hear contemporary music concert for all music lovers.

6/25 OUTDOOR POPS with Béla Fleck and Friends Béla Fleck, banjo, the winner of seven Grammy Awards is joined by Zakir Hussain, the master of tabla, and the jaw-dropping bass virtuoso-composer, Edgar Meyer.



Fleck, Hussain and Meyer

6/26 Mozart and Mahler – two towering composers, including, for the first time at MIM, Mahler’s Symphony No.4 [with a last movement featuring Budapest operatic soprano Veronika Kincses]. Not to be missed!

6/27 Fairy Tales For All Ages Close your eyes and listen to the music and stories they accompany — mental images sharper and more exciting than ever! Music by Debussy, Ravel, Poulenc, narrated by Terry Brown. Bring the whole family!

6/30 Unexpected Songs Soprano Veronika Kincses explores the vocal works of Alma Mahler, Ottorino Respighi and Saint-Saëns — book-ended by Gustav Mahler and Saint-Saëns, MIM’s own principals and our very own Paul Perry.

7/1 KinderKonzert – a lively morning concert for the family. It ends with the spirited and familiar Sabre Dance. This event is free!

7/1 The Swan-Turner – another swan story — not exactly, it’s Paul Hindemith’s creative viola concerto based on medieval German folk stories, featuring Janet Sims. The concert begins with Milhaud’s Ox on the Roof, includes Three Russian Folk Songs by Rachmaninoff performed by the MIM Chorale, and concludes with the Sabre Dance by Khachaturian.



Janet Sims

7/3 Happy Birthday USA! OUTDOOR POPS — the classic MIM gathering, including everyone’s favorite Sousa march and well known patriotic tunes.

WINTERFEST 2010 [Order Tickets Online](#) Serenade by the Fire

12/3 Choral Concert – your favorite holiday event! Start the Christmas season in an upbeat way — beautifully contemporary choral works and the ever popular carol sing-along, featuring the MIM Festival Chorale.

12/4 Holiday Pops – the light hearted melodies of the holiday season [bet they don’t do, “Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer”]. Surprise guest artists at the Amaral Center.

12/5 Sunday Serenade featuring Andrew Armstrong – Dvorak’s Bagatelles with touches of Gypsy melody, Janacek’s Concertino with a finale that ends in a real instrumental argument, and Brahms’s Serenade, that glances back at the Mozartean style and then looks forward with Johannes’s creative harmonies.



Andrew Armstrong

12/10 Folk Songs and Fire Dance – exploring the world of contrasts — Ravel at his ethereal best and concluding with de Falla’s story of the “interruptive” ghost of a former lover — talk about a cold blanket on a hot affair — hmmm.

12/11 and 12/12 Choral Concert – see concert notes of 12/3